GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
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PERFORMANCE OF NATIONAL CULTURE FUND
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the performance of National Culture Fund set up in the country to support the activities of cultural sector has been reviewed;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the private sector is also participating in this fund;

(d) if so, their contribution towards this fund; and

(e) the utilisation of the fund since its inception?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM & CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a)&(b): The National Culture Fund was set up as a Trust under Charitable Endowments Act 1890 vide Notification dated 29.11.96. The Fund is managed and administered by a Council under the chairmanship of the Minister in charge of Department of Culture.The Council reviews the performance of National Culture Fund from time to time and formulates policy guidelines.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The contribution made by the private sector to the National Culture Fund since its inception is given below on year to year basis:

1996-97	Rs.101.00
1997-98	Rs.10,59,543.00
1998-99	Rs.17,71,000.00
1999-2000	Rs.37,38,440.00
2000-2001	Rs.54,23,852.41
2001-2002	Rs.46,50,000.00
Total:	Rs.1,66,42,936.00

(e) Rs.77.60 lakhs has been utilized on various projects up to 31st March,2001. The amount utilized during the year 2001-2002 in different projects is yet to be reported after the end of the financial year on 31st March,2002.